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**AmeriCorps**  
New York

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# BACKGROUND

## AMERICORPS IN NEW YORK

For more than 25 years, AmeriCorps has been connecting organizations and individuals who are committed to improving their communities.

The New York State Commission on National and Community Service, established in 1994, administers AmeriCorps programs in New York funded by the National Community Service Trust Act of 1993, as amended by the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act of 2009.

The mission of AmeriCorps, and the New York State Commission on National and Community Service, is to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering.



**AmeriCorps**  
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### HOW IT WORKS

Nonprofits and other public organizations apply for Federal AmeriCorps grant funding to recruit, train, and deploy AmeriCorps members who receive a living allowance and other benefits while providing community services in the areas of education, health care, environmental stewardship, economic opportunity, disaster response and preparedness, veterans and military families, and capacity building.

### PY2022 PORTFOLIO

In program year 2022, the New York State Commission on National and Community Service will administer 37 AmeriCorps programs operating statewide, including seven new Public Health AmeriCorps programs. It will also administer a New York State Student Support Corps and continue to administer an AmeriCorps VISTA program which places members at various New York State agencies responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

# BENEFITS OF AMERICORPS

*"Everybody can be great because everybody can serve. ... You only need a heart full of grace, a soul generated by love."*

-Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

## Member Benefits

Members serving in AmeriCorps may receive:

- A living allowance/stipend
- Healthcare and childcare coverage
- Specialized training
- Professional experience
- A Segal Education Award
- Scholarships, application fee waivers, and other higher education benefits
- Special hiring considerations from employers

## Community Benefits

AmeriCorps members benefit communities by:

- Bringing people together
- Addressing community issues
- Creating a culture of service
- Improving lives
- Fostering civic engagement



# PROGRAMS BY REGION

## CAPITAL REGION

### American Red Cross Disaster Resiliency Corps

The American Red Cross Disaster Resiliency Corps provides disaster resiliency by educating individuals on the importance of disaster preparedness and fire safety and developing supply, storage, distribution, shelter, and other logistics planning for effective and rapid emergency responses in all New York State regions.

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### Hudson PROMISE Corps

The Mental Health Association of Columbia and Greene Counties, Inc. supports AmeriCorps members who provide mentoring, family and youth support in the Hudson City School District and surrounding communities.

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### Community Mediation Service Corps

The New York State Dispute Resolution Association (NYSDRA) engages AmeriCorps Members who provide conflict resolution services in schools as well as family mediation services throughout New York.

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## CENTRAL NEW YORK

### Oswego AmeriCorps

The Oswego City-County Youth Bureau AmeriCorps program provides housing services to disadvantaged individuals and physical education and nutrition education to youth in non-profit agencies, schools, libraries, and recreation programs throughout rural Oswego County.

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## FINGER LAKES REGIONS

### Flower City AmeriCorps

The City of Rochester engages AmeriCorps members who provide employment readiness and job placement services, financial literacy, housing support, health education workshops, food security assistance, educational programming, and public health services within high-poverty, urban neighborhoods in Rochester, New York.

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### Access to Justice AmeriCorps Program

Legal Assistance of Western New York, Inc. (Law NY) engage full time AmeriCorps members to serve as legal assistants in seven legal aid offices located in Bath, Elmira, Geneva, Ithaca, Jamestown, Olean and Rochester, New York.

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## Rochester AmeriCorps

Monroe Community College's Rochester AmeriCorps program provides academic enrichment, college preparation, and summer programming support to Rochester City School District students.

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## Finger Lakes Community Action

Wayne County Action Program, Inc.'s AmeriCorps program provides access to care and capacity building in the Finger Lakes counties of Wayne, Ontario, Seneca and Yates.

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## MID-HUDSON VALLEY

### Lead for Poughkeepsie

Lead For Poughkeepsie AmeriCorps members build organizational capacity, increase meaningful community engagement, and establish recruitment infrastructure for young leaders and civic entrepreneurs in low-wealth communities within Poughkeepsie and the Hudson Valley.

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## MOHAWK VALLEY

### Utica Public Housing Authority

The Municipal Housing Authority of the City of Utica, New York, supports AmeriCorps members who help veterans achieve economic and housing stability; assist youth, ex-offenders, and the long-term unemployed to enter the workforce; improve financial literacy of low-income residents; and place the homeless and housing vulnerable in quality, affordable housing in the City of Utica and Oneida, Herkimer, and Madison Counties of New York State.

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## NEW YORK CITY

### Bravehearts AmeriCorps Mentorship (BAM)

The Children's Village engages AmeriCorps members who utilize their lived experiences to provide mentorship for system-involved young adults in Manhattan, the Bronx, and the Hudson Valley counties of Westchester, Dutchess, Orange, and Rockland.

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### Center for Family Life in Sunset Park – Sunset Park Community Corps

AmeriCorps members facilitate academic, arts, and recreation activities for low-income students during out-of-school hours in Sunset Park, Brooklyn.

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## City Service Corps

City Service Corps AmeriCorps members perform direct service and capacity-building activities at New York City government agency host sites.

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## City Year New York

City Year New York provides full-day education services to students in 20 public schools in New York City.

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## Concrete Safaris Placemaking Corps

Concrete Safaris, Inc. AmeriCorps members conduct environmental health literacy and place-based service-learning interventions and refer participants for medical and wrap-around services in East Harlem.

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## Early Care Educators

The Research Foundation of the City University of New York, on behalf of Bronx Community College, engages AmeriCorps to provide high-quality learning experiences to low-income preschoolers at Early Head Start and Head Start centers in the South Bronx.

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## Eastern Brooklyn Collaborative for Youth Development

Cypress Hills Local Development Corporation serves economically disadvantaged K-5 students in afterschool programs in Cypress Hills/East New York, Brooklyn.

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## Grand Street Settlement AmeriCorps

Grand Street Settlement AmeriCorps members support youth programs in community centers and schools throughout the Lower East Side of Manhattan and North/Central Brooklyn and two healthy aging programs in the Lower East Side.

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## NYC Civic Corps

AmeriCorps members build capacity and volunteer management systems, increasing the effectiveness and efficiency at high need community-based organizations.

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## NYCHA Health Corps

In partnership with the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA), AmeriCorps members perform public health-related direct service and capacity-building activities in NYCHA developments and with nonprofit partners.

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## NYC Peer Corps

Under the direction of the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, NYC Peer Corps AmeriCorps members are local residents with lived experience who provide support for homeless adults as well as overdose prevention training for adolescents at risk for, or struggling with, opioid abuse disorders.

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## Public Health Solutions

Four AmeriCorps members provide participant-centered need assessments and navigation services to low-income families in underserved areas of Queens.

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## Red Hook Resilience Corps

The Red Hook Community Justice Center AmeriCorps members enhance the safety, stability and affordability of public housing in Red Hook, Brooklyn, in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic and enduring racial inequities.

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## Relay New York Teaching Residency

AmeriCorps members in the Relay Teacher Residency program serve economically disadvantaged students, increasing academic performance for K-12 students, as part of a teacher preparation and service program in New York City and Rochester.

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## Ronald McDonald House of New York

Four full-time AmeriCorps members build the infrastructure needed to advance health equity outcomes for underserved, medically complex children, and their families, receiving care at hospitals, expanding wrap-around services.

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## St. Nicks Alliance Corps

The St. Nicks Alliance Corps AmeriCorps members provide workforce readiness and skills training, job placement, career exploration, mentorship, and persistence support to economically disadvantaged youth, ages 16-24, in North Brooklyn.

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## Sunset Park Health Council

Sunset Park AmeriCorps members conduct food access services for community residents affected by COVID-19 while building capacity for emergency food services in the Sunset Park community of Brooklyn and implement two evidence-based interventions focused on school readiness and K-12 success in southwest Brooklyn.

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## SOUTHERN TIER

### The Rural Health Network of South Central New York

AmeriCorps members increase the public health workforce by providing health access services in upstate New York counties, primarily the rural Southern Tier.

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## WESTERN NEW YORK

### AmeriCorps Builds Lives through Education (ABLE)

AmeriCorps members serve with The Service Collaborative of Western New York to implement evidence-informed math interventions with small groups of 3-6-year-olds and to combat summer learning loss in Erie and Niagara counties.

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## Economic Development Corps

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## Ignite Your Life

Mission Ignite, powered by Computers for Children, Inc., engages AmeriCorps members to deliver technology and digital literacy training.

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## People Inc.

AmeriCorps members perform service-learning activities within People Inc. and with other community-based organizations in the Metro Buffalo and Rochester area.

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## MULTI-REGION PROGRAMS

### CHCANYS NYS Public Health Corps

The Community Health Care Association of New York State (CHCANYS) AmeriCorps members provide health education and care management services in Community Health Centers in multiple regions of New York State, including New York, Long Island, the Mid-Hudson Valley, the Capital Region, Western New York, the Finger Lakes, and Central New York.

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### SCA NY

The Student Conservation Association (SCA) provides conservation stewardship and environmental education in the counties of Hamilton, Franklin, Essex, St. Lawrence, Clinton, Herkimer, Fulton, Warren, Washington, Schoharie, Montgomery, Otsego, Saratoga, Albany, Schenectady, and Greene.

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### New York-New Jersey Trail Conference Conservation Corps

AmeriCorps members combat invasive species, restore native habitats, build sustainable trails, and provide environmental stewardship and education in the counties of Bronx, Delaware, Dutchess, Greene, Kings, Ulster, New York Orange, Putnam, Queens, Rockland, and Richmond.

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## NYS COVID-19 RESPONSE AMERICORPS VISTA PROJECT

The New York State Commission on National and Community Service administers the New York State COVID-19 Response VISTA Project, which builds the capacity of state agencies to serve vulnerable New Yorkers who are dealing with the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic. AmeriCorps VISTA members engage in systemic problem solving at the following New York State agencies:

### **New York State Commission on National and Community Service**

The AmeriCorps VISTA member serving at the NYS Commission on National and Community Service leads the other New York State COVID-19 Response VISTA members as a mentor, facilitator, liaison, and resource generator.

### **New York State Council on the Arts**

The AmeriCorps VISTA member serving at the New York State Council on the Arts supports arts and cultural organizations and artists by increasing online resources and awareness of the impact of arts on the wellbeing of New Yorkers impacted by the pandemic.

### **New York State Department of Health**

The AmeriCorps VISTA member serving at the New York Department of Health ensures high-risk, underserved communities are better protected from the spread of COVID-19 by promoting training opportunities to community-based organizations. An additional VISTA member serving in the Office of Public Health Practice ensures that New Yorkers are served by a competent public health workforce.

### **New York State Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence**

The AmeriCorps VISTA member serving at the New York State Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence responds to victims and survivors of domestic violence by ensuring that community response and prevention mechanisms are strengthened and institutionalized.

## **New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets**

The AmeriCorps VISTA member serving at the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets improves food supply chain resiliency and increases distribution of locally produced, fresh foods by building coalitions, strengthening partnerships, and developing blueprints for statewide cooperation. An additional VISTA member serving in the Division of Agricultural Development strengthens local agriculture and ensures that school children get healthy school meals by connecting schools with local farms and producers.

## **New York State Education Department**

The AmeriCorps VISTA member serving at the New York State Education Department improves High School Equivalency exam programs so that more New Yorkers are able to successfully enter the workforce. An additional VISTA member serving at the Office of Child Nutrition evaluates school meal programs to ensure low-income students have access to nutritious and appealing school lunches.

## **New York State Executive Chamber Nonprofit Unit**

The AmeriCorps VISTA member serving at the New York State Executive Chamber Nonprofit Unit promotes collaboration among New York State nonprofits responding to pandemic-related challenges by expanding research, outreach, and partnerships.

## **New York State Commission for the Blind**

The AmeriCorps VISTA member serving at the New York State Commission for the Blind ensures that legally blind New Yorkers have access to resources and services.

## **New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance**

The AmeriCorps VISTA member serving at the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance helps communities recovering from the pandemic plan for and provide house resources to homeless families and individuals.

## **New York State Office of Mental Health**

The AmeriCorps VISTA member serving at the New York State Office of Mental Health ensures that children who attend the highest needs schools receive educational, social, and emotional support by identifying School Based Clinic resources across the state. An additional VISTA member supports the implementation of a trauma informed approach to address the mental health and wellness needs of New Yorkers.

## **New York State Division of Veterans' Services**

The AmeriCorps VISTA member serving at the New York State Division of Veterans' Services ensures veterans struggling with housing instability and homelessness connect with essential services through outreach and coordination of statewide efforts.

# HOW TO APPLY

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Individuals interested in serving as an AmeriCorps VISTA member with the New York State COVID-19 Response VISTA Project should contact the New York State Commission on National and Community Service directly for application instructions.

All other individuals interested in serving as an AmeriCorps member should:

1. **Register** an account on [My.AmeriCorps.gov](https://my.ameriacorps.gov).
2. **Create** an application (either online through My.AmeriCorps.gov or by contacting a program directly).
3. **Submit** your application.

### Need more information?

A step-by-step guide for using the MyAmeriCorps portal is available [here](#).

Potential applicants may also contact the National Service Hotline at 1-800-942-2677 or directly reach out to a program, or the New York State Commission on National and Community Service, to request assistance.

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